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Ex parte YEVGENIY EUGENE SHTEYN

Application No. 09/900,375

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 8, 2005. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

Appellant filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on December 19, 2002. It is not clear from the record whether the examiner considered the statement submitted or whether the examiner notified appellant of why his submission did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner for consideration of the IDS filed on December 19, 2002, Application No. 09/900,375

written notification to appellant of consideration and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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